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DR. ABBOTT SPEAKS SUNDAY, 4 P. M.

"MEN OR GRASSHOPPERS, WHICH?"

DECEMBER CALENDAR "Y" SUNDAY MEETINGS

The Promotional Department announces the following calendar for Sunday afternoon events:

December 7th—"The Faith for this Age," by Dr. Paul R. Allen, Hope Congregational Church.

December 14th—"The Two Great Factors," by Noah W. Williams, St. Paul A. M. E. Church.

December 21st—"A Christmas Message", by Dr. Charles W. Tadlock, Centenary M. E. Church.

December 28th—Sacred Concert, by St. Louis Musical Association.

SALESMANSHIP CLASS GOES BIG

The class at the "Y" Salesmanship has gone over big and the many men and women are greatly enjoying a real course. It is expected that other branches of specialized educational work will follow at Pine Street "Y" as the years go by. Call Mr. Chiles for information concerning the Salesmanship Class.

Sunday afternoon, November 30th, Dr. B. F. Abbott, pastor Union Memorial M. E. Church will be the speaker at Pine St. Y. M. C. A. last November Sunday meeting. This will be the fifth of a monthly series, all of which have been largely attended. Dr. Abbott will speak from the subject: "Men or Grasshoppers, which?"

The special music will be rendered by artists from Union Memorial Choir. The devotionals will be conducted by Dr. G. Lake Imes, Dean Bible School, Tuskegee Institute, Alabama. The public is invited.

MISS HALLIE Q. BROWN ADDRESSED LARGE AUDIENCE

Last Sunday Miss Hallie Q. Brown, of Wilberforce, Ohio, addressed the most interested meeting of the November series at Pine St. Y. M. C. A. Miss Brown, the most outstanding woman of the race, used as her subject "Not Gifts, But Opportunities." More than 400 were in attendance at this service. Mr. G. E. Randall sang most pleasingly. Miss Josephine Harris was his accompanist. Mrs. Annie Malone presided at this service. Mrs. Mattie Dover Young conducted devotionals; Mrs. T. J. Nevins, President local Federation of Women's Clubs, presented the speaker and Miss Hattie O'Neal directed the congregational singing.

Spend Little Effort and You Will Have Little Else to Spend

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Editorials

THANKSGIVING

There is something purely American about our observance of Thanksgiving Day—something of the abounding plenty of a country of vast untold resources—something of the simple faith and rugged gratitude of the early fathers. As long as we hold to the spirit of Thanks-giving, the spirit of hardy pioneers who founded a great empire, America is safe. Thanksgiving is the most American of all our holidays, for more than any other it expresses the real spirit in which this country was founded.

We, Americans have much for which to be thankful, both as a nation and as individuals. Ours is a splendid material prosperity. Everywhere there is the hum of fruitful activity. The ordinary everyday average American enjoys a standard of living undreamed of by the common people anywhere else in the whole earth. And then, too, despite certain indications to the contrary, we have abundant evidence that the great heart of America still beats true to the principles of the fathers.

America still believes in the God of her fathers, who has kept her and prospered her and who still guides her destiny.

PHYSICAL DEPARTMENT

Our Volley Ball players of whom we are justly proud and now talking of entering the regional tournament this spring. This means they will meet some of the best white teams in the middle west and our strength will be severely tested.

The public schools are using our gymnasium on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for their Basket Ball League games. These games are very interesting and all our friends and members are invited to come in and see their boys in action.

Come in and take a SWIM. The water in the pool is being heated daily and all members are urged to come in and take a dip. Swim the year around is our slogan and a dip a day will keep that fatigue feeling away. We swim after all gym classes.

The last scheduled games of our Fall Volley Ball League should be played Saturday, November 29th, but on two Saturdays we did not have league games and those postponed games will be played on December 6th and 13th.

The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, Nov. 29th—12:15—Boosters vs Spikers—12:50—Blockers vs Passers.

Saturday, Dec. 6th—12:15—Passers vs Boosters—12:50—Blockers vs Spikers.

Saturday, Dec. 13th—12:15—Boosters vs Blockers—12:50—Spikers vs. Passers.

How We Stand

Teams	Won	Lost	Pct.
Boosters	6	0	1000
Passers	3	3	500
Blockers	3	3	500
Spikers	0	6	000

HI-Y INITIATES

Eleven splendid fellows were initiated into the Sumner Hi-Y Clubs, Wednesday, the 19th. They were as follows: Elijah Baker, Chas. Cummings, Buster Grigsby, Leslie Wingo, Augustus Perkins, Theodore Meyers, Theo. Phillips, Chas. Brantley, Chas. Evans and Cravens.

PINE STREET VOLLEY BALL TEAM WINS INTER-STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The first volley ball tournament ever attempted by our Associations was promoted by Indianapolis Y. M. C. A. last Saturday. Chicago, Columbus, Indianapolis, and St. Louis were entered and some real enthusiasm was aroused by the snappy games played by these four teams. A large crowd witnessed the games and undoubted the tournament idea will be a yearly affair.

The captains assembled in the afternoon and drew: the result being Chicago played Indianapolis and Columbus, St. Louis. Indianapolis found Chicago an easy foe and won handily. The Columbus St. Louis set was more interesting. Columbus won the first game 15 to 13 but St. Louis settled down and won the next two by decisive scores. The two visitors of these preliminary games were scheduled to play at eight o'clock in the evening.

Captain Garrett's men were in command of the situation and the games were not as close as the score indicated. The first game of the final match was won by Indianapolis. This pleased the crowd and every Hoosier fan was so excited he could hardly hold his seat. The regulars then took the floor and from then on it was a real fight. St. Louis took the second and third games. Indianapolis the fourth and St. Louis the fifth and set game.

A large silver loving cup was presented to Captain Garrett at the delightful banquet given for all the teams and accompanying rooters. Mr. Garrett in his response laid special stress on the sportsmanship of all the players and on the hospitality shown us by the Indianapolis Association. It was a great trip and was greatly enjoyed by the team and about forty St. Louisans who made the trip with them.

St. Louis Team, Champion of Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Missouri was composed of the following men: G. J. Dixon, C. A. Hancock, J. P. Tate, L. S. Williams, W. H. Tyler, G. B. Key,

GYM GYING

"Tournament Tingle"

Sing a song of Volley Ball
Chicago played it fine
But 'long come those Hoosier boys
And knocked em out o' line.

Sing a song of hard luck
Columbus couldn't tell
How it felt to lose a game
'Til "Pine Street" taught em well.

Sing a song of bacon
"Pine Street's" favorite dish
Indianapolis caught a smell
But lo, it was COD FISH.
"Y"-stry.

CONRADE CLIPPINGS

The Comrade Club elected temporary officers Tuesday night. When 15 of them have earned their first degree an official unit will be set up. The present officers are Elijah Baker, Pres.; M. Dewberry, Vice Pres.; Theodore Meyers, Sec. Geo. Foster, Treasurer.

The C. R. T. Basket Ball team is working out on Friday afternoon. Every school boy, 16 years old or older is eligible to try for the team.

Charles Brantley won a place on the Sumner High School "Honor Roll" by making "E" in every study and a perfect attendance record.

Baker will be in for basket ball next week after a great season at football.

Baker did fine work during his first year in foot ball. We'll tell you more about him after the Thanksgiving game.

BRICK BATS AND BOUQUETS

How some of the boys answered the questions in the test:

Q: Why was the "Y" started?

A: So "Nap" would have a place to go in winter.—B. H.

Q: What is the Y. M. C. A.

A: A swimming pool.—T. K.

Q: Who started the first Y. M. C. A.?

A: Balboa and 13 Indians.—H. L.

E. L. Harris, Jr.; J. E. White, H. K. Craft, L. W. Steward, H. Lindsey, T. L. Gentry, L. P. Garrett, Captain and W. C. Woodson, Coach.

BOYS' DIVISION NEWS HONOR ROLL

Midgets: Ollice Bryant, Julius Buckner, Walter Bingham, Clifton Bally, Alvin Goida, John Young, Samuel Johnson, Milton Moore, John Smith and Wilbert Turner.

Juniors: Willie Carter, Richard Canon, Clarence English, Herbert Erskine, Howard Johnson, Alphonso Kidd, Joseph Maul and Wade Norwood.

Seniors: Eugene Bingham, John Day, Marcus Dewberry and Joseph Thomas.

Leaders: George Foster, Horace Thomas, Robt. Williams, Elmo Young, Walter Blocker, Clifton Horn and William Staves.

TRAIL RANGER NOTES

Well, the Midgets bid fair to lead the Division again this year.

Quite a number of Rookies will be inducted into the Brotherhood of Trail Rangers next Monday. Watch their smoke.

What has become of Tom Jackson? He did look like a down right QUITTER.

What about Sol James—is he back at his old habits?

Walter Bingham and Ollice Bryant mean to "make good."

Milton (Red) Moore is becoming a regular "Pine Street" good fellow.

Don't forget the Big Bean Banquet next week.

PIONEER NOTCHES

The Pioneer unit will hold its first meeting Monday.

Alvin Lyons has the honor of being the first "Pine Street boy to be initiated into this great world-wide club of Pioneers. He went through last Thursday.

Have you seen those excellent Pioneer belt buckles? They're hot!

Pioneer buttons don't belong to you until they have 24 notches in them.

A large group of Rookies are scheduled for initiation into the Pioneer Camp at 7 o'clock Thanksgiving morning.

Robert Mack, I. V. Collier, Alphonso Kidd, Alexander King, Herbert Er-

kine, Mitchell Davis, George Davis, Clarence English, Wade Norwood, Donahue Gains, Eddie Coburn. Cephas Eckford and Willie Carter will be eligible for the Thursday morning initiation.

Bronze Pioneer Buttons to the 'Path Finders'; silver one to the Trail Rangers. Gold ones for the Guides and banana oil for the Rookies.

It will be impossible for a pioneer to gain notches in his button if he does not attend to gym, Sunday School, and home duties faithfully.

Harry is back too. Wonder how long will he stay this time.

Who told Ollice that a club sandwich is made of wood? He believes it, too.

ELLEARDSVILLE Y. M. C. A. CLUB FOR BOYS NOTCH FOOT BALL

The E. Y. C. Foot Ball team added another victory to its string last Saturday when it downed the strong St. Mark's eleven 24 to 12 on Tandy Field. W. Alexander easily was the star of the day, scoring 3 touch downs, one after a run of ninety-eight yards. Woodson of quarter played a wonderful game in directing the team, N. Tatum was the outstanding defensive player. Players: Woodson, Walker, Woolfolk, Webster, Alexander, Bolden, Bufkin, Tatum, Moseley, Willis, Lane, F. Green, Bish, Gist, Spencer, Hazelette, Burton, Keene, Hamilton, White.

BASKET BALL LEAGUE

The Pioneer Basket Ball League opened its season last Saturday in fine shape. The Peerless won from the Triangles 12-10 and the Excelsior beat the Superiors 12-6. The league games will be played every Saturday at 3:30.

Standing of Teams

Name	P	W	L	Pct.
Peerless	1	1	0	1000
Excelsior	1	1	0	1000
Triangles	1	0	1	000
Superiors	1	0	1	000

Saturday Schedule

3:30—Superiors vs Triangles
3:50—Excelsior vs Peerless

An Ounce of Accomplishment Is Worth A Ton of Alibis